





## Intimations.

## VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

SELECTION FROM OUR LIST OF  
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with being abroad in the Colony with intent to practice as a solicitor, in accordance with sec. 5 and 10 of Ord. 3 of 1871.

Prisoner had no defence.

His Lordship briefly expressed his cordial approval of the Attorney-General's action in dragging such desperate characters from their lairs into the full light and exposing their designs against the public. He hoped Mr. Bowley would get all he deserved.

The Attorney-General cordially echoed his Lordship's sentiments.

The victim was then handed over to the tender mercies of Messrs. Denys and Moscop.

THE WYING EMBELLMENT.

Lo Chu Wing, convicted by the jury of embroiling \$37,500 from a building agency in Hongkong, was remanded a week for sentence.

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LIMITED.

The 10th annual general meeting of shareholders in this company was held to-day. Mr. G. Fenwick presided, and there were also present Messrs. J. H. Maclehoze, E. Solomon, C. Grant, R. C. Wilcox, W. L. Parlane, Fullerton Henderson, and F. W. Cross.

The notice of meeting having been read, the Chairman said—Gentlemen, as the report of accounts has been in your hands for some days, with your pencils on it we will take them as read. You will observe that a considerable amount has been done this year, as in last year this has been done with the view of being able to meet expenses on an addition to our plant which with the consent of the Committee will shortly be commenced.

The past year compares favourably with the previous year, and may, I trust, be looked upon as a fairly satisfactory one considering that the shipping trade has been so dull. Advantage has been taken of the improvement on the past year in writing down to a large extent the value of our plant, which although we have added two new machines and placed a new boiler in our steam-launch, stands below what it did last year.

I may also say that this year has commenced very favourably and up to the present we have been well employed in all departments of our business. As I said, gentlemen, at our last meeting, you can all be of assistance in some way if you cannot give us work yourselves. I encourage your friends to do so, and we shall endeavour to give all satisfaction. I do not know of anything else requiring further remark but in conclusion shall be glad to answer any questions you may be pleased to ask.

may also mention that, as you will see on looking at the accounts, there are sundry debits—\$17,773; a considerable portion has already been drawn in. One item, of \$10,000, is the balance of payment for the new *Cosmopolita*, recently built for Holo; that is now paid. Another item will be paid this week, so that practically I may say the whole of this amount, "sundry debits," has been paid off.

There being no question, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Wilcox seconded the motion, which was carried *unanimously*.

On the motion of Mr. Grant, seconded by Mr. Maclehoze, the retiring members of the consulting committee (Messrs. Parlane and Rodgers) were re-elected.

On the motion of Mr. Parlane, seconded by Mr. Henderson, the auditor (Mr. T. Arnold) was re-elected.

Mr. Cross—I beg to propose a vote of thanks to the general manager (Mr. Fenwick) for his conduct of the business during the past year. I think the balance sheet for the year, as compared with that for the previous year, is very satisfactory, looked at from every point of view, and I do not think it leaves anything that would be cavilled at. The proposed new works will, I hope, be as successful as the old works have, hitherto been, and I do not know from past experience of Mr. Fenwick's management that we are sure to make a profit on it, for I do not think that Mr. Fenwick would go into any undertaking in which he was not sure of success. (Hear, hear.)

The Chairman—Gentlemen, I thank you. Of course, this work would not be undertaken unless it was considered profitable. The outlay is not great—probably about \$5,000; we have in hand over \$50,000, and if we have a good year I dare say we shall be able to pay it all off with what money we have. It will be a very profitable addition to the present works. I thank you, gentlemen, for your attendance, and the dividend warrants will be issued to-morrow morning.

THE HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The final meeting of shareholders in the old company, and the statutory and first ordinary meetings of the new company were held this afternoon. Mr. D. Gillies presided, and there were also present Messrs. W. Watson, C. P. Chater, J. B. Condon (directors), S. A. Remedios, J. D. Remedios, E. R. Bell, W. M. Mody, P. Jordan, J. W. Kew, J. H. Maclehoze, Ho Kam Tong, W. H. Ray, E. G. George, A. G. Stokes, and W. H. Walker (secretary).

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the accounts having been in your hands since yesterday, your permission will take them as having been read. With regard to the re-structured company, your business in the twelve months under review has been on the whole satisfactory, the works having been fully employed during that period, chiefly on the production of drain pipes, for which there is an increasing demand locally and from the out-ports, but from want of constant supervision (our foremen having been frequently laid up with fever) and the workmen being still somewhat deficient in training and experience, the output has fallen considerably short of what your Directors anticipated. Nevertheless the accounts show that we are making good progress, having earned during the twelve months a net profit of \$7,823 33 which sum would have permitted of a dividend being recommended if we had the amount in cash, but having before us so large a sum standing to the credit of the profit and loss, your Directors thought it advisable under the circumstances to place the amount of profit made to the credit of that account. I may again state that the cause of this serious loss of capital was due to many months of non-production when we first started the works; to depreciation, on machinery got suited to our class of business, and to the necessity of reconstructing the whole of our plant, an improved plant, by the scheme of reconstruction we have



**THE SCURRY STAKES.** Sweepstakes of \$10 each, for all *bona fide* griffins at the date of entry; subscription of this season 1892-93, non-winners allowed 10 lbs.; weight for inches. One mile.

Mr. Buxey's b. Islander, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Master 1  
Mr. Buxey's gr. Flashlight, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Crawford 2

Mr. Buxey declared to win with Islander. Islander entered in front of his stable companion and passed the post a length ahead in 2 min. 45 secs.

**THE FUCHANG PLATE.** presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong, for China ponies; weight for inches; winners of Ashley, Fochow, Lusitano or Hongkong Club Cups at this meeting 3 lbs. extra; entrance \$10; second pony to receive \$50. One-mile-and-a-half.

Mr. Trebau's d. Bovril, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Sassoon 1  
Mr. J. J. Humphreys' ch. Varuna, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Crawford 2

Mr. John Peel's gr. Vagrant, 11st. 12lb. (incl. 7 lb. ex.) Mr. Hough 3  
Mr. Buxey's gr. Bold Heart, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Crawford 2

Mr. White's gr. Viper, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Hart Buck 0  
Vagrant and Bovril divided favorably, with Bold Heart a close second. A good start Bovril made, and in front of Bold Heart and Reciprocity, the other pair lying off for the first mile. At the three-quarter mile starting post Vagrant challenged Bovril, but the latter held his own, and won by a length. Vagrant's advantage to the end, and won by a length. Time, 3 min. 50 secs.

**THE GERMAN CUP.** Presented by Members of the German Club, for Subscription of the Season, 1892-93, only; weight for inches; Entrance \$10; Second Pony to receive half the Entrance money. One-mile-and-a-half.

Mr. Derick-Hunter's gr. Steadfast, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Midwood 1  
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' ch. Varuna, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Hart Buck 2

Mr. Buxey's gr. Colonel, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Master 3  
Mr. Hart Buck's gr. Mervyn, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Crawford 0

Mr. Kesteven's gr. Assyrian, 10st. 12lb. Mr. May 0  
Capt. Thomas's b. Stonehenge, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Hough 0

Mr. White's br. Amenable, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Sassoon 0  
Mr. Cruickshank's gr. Switchback, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Crawford 0

The Valley Stakes winner was most in demand, but was not pressed in public favor. It was a very close race, and the race was a very close one. The race was a very close one. The race was a very close one.

**THE PROFESSIONAL CUP.** presented, for all China ponies; weight for inches; winners of one race at this meeting, 7 lb. extra; of two or more races, 10 lb. extra; previous non-winners to carry 12 lb.; entrance \$10; second pony to receive half the entrance money. One-mile-and-a-half.

Mr. John Peel's gr. Merry Thought, 11st. 12lb. Mr. Hough 1  
Mr. Derick-Hunter's br. Timekeeper, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Midwood 2

Mr. Boyd's d. Duncraggan, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Master 3  
Mr. Darius' gr. Porpoise, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Master 0

Mr. Hart Buck's gr. Mervyn, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Crawford 0  
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understand that approximately there are no less than 10,000 British subjects, other than Europeans, resident in Siam.

There is every prospect, we understand, that the first tin mining company in Siam will within a few days, or perhaps hours, have been duly started and have commenced operations. Numerous obstacles have as usual beset the scheme, and no description of misrepresentation of facts and figures has been spared to render it abortive. It will therefore be the more to the credit of the shareholders, who are mostly Siamese of high position, if they should make a success of the venture and prove that Siam is not altogether distant in the race by the Tin Company—under British protection in neighboring states.—*Free Press.*

# NEWCHWANG.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

31st January, 1893.

The news from the North is not of a very quieting nature. We hear that at Kuen-cheng the merchants and traders closed their shops to business on the 21st of January in consequence of a tax which the authorities are endeavouring to levy upon all imported goods. The "strike" has been impending for a month and now that it has taken place, there must be trouble soon unless one or other of the contending parties gives way. We are inclined to the belief that it is an attempted "squeeze" on the part of the local mandarins. Every shop in the whole city is closed, preventing the appearance of Chinese New Year. Thousands of people surround the yamins and are collected at the American Consulate at the principal crossings and the temper of the natives makes it perilous for one to go about. Then the beggars are swarming over the place, and as the daily food from the soup kitchen (*Chin Kuo*) is suspended, the fear generally is that they may help themselves. Such a commotion has not happened in Kuen-cheng for thirty years, and the effect now on business prospects must be very disastrous, as the last month of the year is the very time when many recruit themselves for losses during the previous part of the season.

I cannot tell you what the new tax amounts to exactly, for it would be spread probably over any number of articles, but traders say that it will be levied on the presentation of a paper and in will run the place. The mandarins will have to give way even ally, as they have had to do here (at this point) more than once, for no trade means no revenue, and they have found out that a small tax, if fairly paid, better than an unfair big tax—feeling that the latter cannot be collected for want of business. As a rule the Chinese people in the western part of the city are usually in the right and will have their way. My experience is that they invariably get their way not simply because they are strong and determined but because they are right. Before they assert such right they have been considerably soured, you may be sure, and cannot stand the oppression any longer.

The cold is not so severe as it was, and the thermometer shows a minimum of zero to 2/3 degree above. Everything is quiet in the port, but on the 21st the C.M.S.N. Company have bought what is known as the "Gold" compound, which foreigners have tried to acquire for at least thirty years. If the Government allow the place to be built upon now, the public of Newchwang will be rather surprised, as the property, especially the land, has been made entirely by the residents, and at a great expense from first to last. The right of way from the British Settlement to the Custom House will be stopped, and a public thoroughfare which has never been interfered with and which for so many years has been looked upon as the "Bund" will be taken away from us, unless our Consul and the Commissioner of Customs come to the rescue. Two years ago, we believe, the property was actually bought by an agent of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, but the contract was upset. There are two bits on the bund, put there, we understand, by order of the Taungli Yamen, notifying that the ground can never be used for building. Is it possible that the Emperor of China will allow it to go forth that his own edict is a lie? This is strong language, but I maintain that if the edict, as shown on the tablets, is not fully carried out, the present situation, supported by emanate from the Emperor, is worthless; deception, in fact.—*N. C. Daily News.*

# TIENTSIN.

(N. C. DAILY NEWS' CORRESPONDENT.)

January 30th, 1893.

This has been the coldest winter we have had for many years. After re-opening, which I referred as probable in a former letter and remaining open ten or twelve days, the river closed again very suddenly, since which time there has been no let-up in the cold. The ice is very solid and clear, and is 12 to 14 inches thick, and the stock of ice now being stored for the coming summer the finest that has been cut for a number of years. On the 15th, there came down upon us "like the wolf on the fold," a severe blow from the North which lasted for six days—double the usual time—filled the atmosphere with dust which did not clear away to every crack and crevice, and made outdoor movements exceedingly disagreeable. We have also had two considerable snowstorms, the large, light flakes descending in an irregular, slow, easy sort of fashion instead of rapidly as though charged with a weighty message, and remaining on the ground before melting for some days, which indicates the dry, crisp, bracing atmosphere with which we are being blessed this winter, and retarding the winters of fifteen or twenty years ago. It should be a good preparation for a healthy spring and summer. There is not the usual amount of pond-water about us, and much of it will have disappeared by freezing and absorption before the hot weather arrives.

With the exception of colds, the health of the foreign community has been good thus far. Among the Chinese there has been a large amount of sickness, largely caused by their lack of knowledge and care in regard to the condition of health, aggravated doubtless by the severe cold, against which they have not sufficient protection in a great many cases. The Chinese so-called benevolent societies are only playing at relief. We have heard of a few places relieved, where a small measure of grain was given to each person for the entire winter, which exhausted their funds. It was said that this does not at all tally with the general belief that a much larger amount was granted for relieving plagues than has been heard of. The fact is that much of the territory surrounding Tientsin was inundated two or three years ago, was again flooded last fall. In the meantime, what between locusts and more recent (livid) brack, there has been the merest shadow of a crop since, so that in some villages there is even greater distress than two years ago. And the worst of it all is, that these annual calamities could be almost entirely prevented by the proper and honest expenditure of sums of money not exceeding what is now annually appropriated.

In addition to the great saving of life that would result, agriculture would be greatly promoted and the revenue largely increased. Present waterways need to be deepened, old dikes need

to be cleared out and re-opened; and many new ones need to be constructed—all in accordance with scientific principles. There is good reason to believe that if one-fourth or one-third of the land was dug out to make carefully laid out water-courses, and spread over the remaining land, this great plain would become one vast garden of production, the prosperity and happiness of the people would be immensely increased, and the revenue be greatly enhanced; while the annual expenditure would become a gradually decreasing quantity, under the best administration. For then the excessive rainfall could all be discharged without overflow, and the waterways would provide for irrigation during the dry season. Water is found all over the plain at a varying depth of about eight to twelve feet and, in many localities, hundreds of acres are made productive by the spring and early summer irrigation from wells. Hence these channels for the surplus rainwater, properly constructed as to depth, direction, and connections, would never be devoid of water with which to irrigate in the time of drought. Then their banks could be preserved from rapid erosion by being planted with reeds and other willows, both of which would minister to wealth and the scraping up of the silt and spreading it on the surface of the land, as is done in the lake region between this and Peking, would greatly add to the fertility of the soil. In this region, a practical illustration may be seen on a small scale, of what is suggested above, and of what might be produced over a large part if not all this vast plain.

About a year ago, as some will remember, negotiations were in progress, between the Tientsin officials and the American Methodists in regard to their chapel in the city. These were terminated by the officials agreeing to provide another site which should be acceptable to the Mission, and paying a certain sum of money, while the Mission agreed to give up their present site and buildings after a period of eleven months. An acceptable new site was provided last autumn, and recently the officials began to agitate for the transfer of the old property to them, before the expiration of the time agreed upon. This was happily effected a few days ago, four months in advance of the date assigned, and the last payment of the sum of money agreed upon made. Under date of January the 28th, the gentleman who acted as mediator in the negotiations, in reporting to the mission the exchange of papers and the receipt of the money balance, said, in writing to the representative of the mission here: "The officials desired me to express to your Mission their gratification at the prompt and friendly settlement now completed. I believe it will tend to a kinder feeling on the part of the officials and gentry here towards Christian work, and in this way alone will justify the accommodating and conciliatory spirit shown by the Mission in yielding as you have done."

# NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Brigandage is on the increase in Sicily. The autograph quilt craze has struck England. The French still fight, on an average 4,000 duels a year.

In the French "ninety it is said there are 15,000 officers. The emigrants who left Germany for the United States in 1892 numbered 108,320. The city of Lubek, in Germany, is preparing to celebrate this year its 750th anniversary.

New Zealand has set apart two islands for the preservation of wild birds and other animals. The Boston Globe says: "It looks as if the backbone of the great coal combine has been broken. Of 184,382 recruits received into the German Army and Navy recently only 824 could not read or write."

Steps are being taken in the three Indian Presidencies, to improve the recruiting for the native army. Women will not be allowed in the galleries of the House of Commons any more except on special occasions. The London Times told its readers not long ago that Mr. Cleveland was hunting in the Andromedans in Mexico.

There are 100,000 pickpockets in London, and each one of them knows an American almost the moment he sees him. The Prussian budget was expected to show a deficiency of 2,000,000 marks, due to decrease of income from railways.

The Bonapartists are even weaker than the Bourbons. The French Republic is fortunate in having imbecile enemies only.

The quarantine authorities of Victoria, Australia, recently cremated the body of a Chinese leper as a measure of safety. The Paris Municipal Council has asked the Prefecture to prepare a scheme for making the gas supply of the city a municipal monopoly.

The Emperor of Germany, in official a before the closing of the year 92 was to sign the death warrant of a woman convicted of murder. Rome is losing its ancient charm very rapidly as modern buildings spring up, and many monuments are being restored or cleared away altogether.

Effort seems to have got more than his share of the Panama bubble. He was up to having received \$6,000,000. It was charged up to machinery.

One of the conditions of the Franco-Russian convention, each country is to hold itself in readiness to place 1,200,000 soldiers in the field in case of war.

The Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg has notified the Russian Government that China will regard any further advance by Russia in the Pamir region as a very serious matter.

It is said that there are in Greece over 200 convicted murderers awaiting execution. When a Greek with a watch meets a Greek who wants it there is apt to be a tug of war that ends in murder.

A new luminous fungus has been forwarded from Tahiti to Europe. It is said to emit at night a light resembling that of the glow-worm, which it retains for a period of twenty-four hours after having been gathered.

New plans have been made for the projected bridge across the English Channel, and the promoters will apply to Parliament this season for powers to go ahead with its construction at an estimated cost of 2,350,000,000.

One of the scenes given in a London pantomime was a "curtain of crystal pillars" held together by twenty-four miles of wire and illuminated by electric lights. It is said to have been marvellously effective. Plans have been submitted to the Pope for the construction at Rome of a cathedral on the Montevicino to equal St. Peter's in some respects, to cost 20,000,000 and to be paid for by contributions from Catholics throughout the world.

The Pope has created something of a stir in church and Government circles in Rome by cancelling an order which has been long in vogue, prohibiting Italian Army officers from

uniform from visiting the Observatory at the Vatican.

After a summer and autumn abnormally healthy the death rate in London suddenly almost doubled. Since the new year opened the mortality is above 30 per 1,000, the increase being almost entirely confined to diseases of the respiratory organs.

An interesting piece of information brought out during the Brussels Conference is the fact that there are at present no less than \$100,000,000 of counterfeit silver money in circulation in France, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Spain and Portugal. It is thought the British Government will withdraw funds enough from the Land-Purchase Commission to compulsorily purchase portions of estates from obstinate landlords, with enough to make loans to "wicked tenants" to enable them to start farms anew.

Dr. Kohn (r Cohen), the poor canon, son of Israelite peasants who was recently raised to the highest Archbishopric in Europe, that of Olmutz, went to meet his father and mother at the railroad station, where he kissed their hands in lowly humility and affection, and has installed them in his episcopal palace.

King Leopold of Belgium, who has been on one of his periodic visits to London, is reported to have spent a great deal of his spare time making a round of the music halls—a proceeding which did not increase the harmony between himself and his English relations.

At Swaffham Prior, near Cambridge, where coins dating back to 21 A.D. are said to have been found, the foundations of Roman villas have been unearthed. They have the usual elaborate system of sub-cellar building with hot-air passages. So far the most interesting find objects, consists of pieces of fine glass—like window-glass.

# Today's Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FARMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 1st March, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. [262]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. The Steamship "RADNORSHIRE," Captain F. Davies, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 9th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [284]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP. The Steamship "CARDIGANSHIRE," Captain E. Sincroff, will be despatched as above on or about the 15th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [179]

NOTICE. HONGKONG "ODD VOLUMES." THE FIRST MEETING of the above will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, TOMORROW (THURSDAY) EVENING, at 9 o'clock, when the Presidential address will be delivered, and several important matters discussed.

Social features will be introduced. Everyone desirous of joining the Society is invited. SIDNEY JEFFREY, Hon. Sec. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [281]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED. THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL on THURSDAY, the 16th March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the year ending 31st December 1892, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may competently be brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from and to 16th March, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, R. LYALL, Secretary. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [283]

NOTICE. THE STEAM-LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED. THE SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 2, Pedder Street, on THURSDAY, the 16th March, 1893, at 4 P.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1892.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from and to 16th March, both days inclusive. M. S. NORTHCOLE, Secretary. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [285]

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Underigned has received instructions from H. M. NAVY STORES, to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th day of March, 1893, at Noon, at H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING CONDEMNED STORES, comprising—

PAPER STUFF, OLD IRON, CHAIN CABLE, WIRE-ROPE, BRASS BOILER TUBES, HOSES, CANVAS BAGS AND PROVISIONS, &c. &c. &c. Terms of Sale—At customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [287]

NOTICE. MR. OTTO GOSCHWIND has been AUTHORIZED to Sign our Name per Procuration from this date. RADECKER & Co. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [289]

# Today's Advertisements.



# NOTICE.

LADY ROBINSON will be AT HOME to receive VISITORS from 4 to 6 P.M. on March 7th and 21st. J. T. STERLING, A.D.C. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [282]

HONGKONG SMOKING CONCERT CLUB. NOTICE TO MEMBERS. THE NEXT CONCERT will be held on SATURDAY, March 4th, at 9.15 P.M., in the THEATRE ROYAL—Major H. FAITHFULL, Hongkong Regiment, in the Chair.

Members are reminded that they MUST show Membership Tickets at the door. JAMES A. LOWSON, Hon. Sec. Hongkong, 1st March, 1893. [286]

# Hotels.

WINDSOR HOTEL, (in Connaught Buildings), QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG. THE Private Hotel heretofore carried on in WINDSOR HOUSE has now been removed to CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Cuisine under European management. Each Bed-room has its own Bath-room, Hot and Cold Water. Passenger Elevator to all Floors. Charges from \$2 per day upwards. Special Rates for Families or Permanent Boarders. Offices and Rooms to let Unfurnished, and Rooms with or without Board, by day or month. Apply at the Office, No. 37, 3rd Floor. Hongkong, 23rd August, 1892. [25]

PEAK HOTEL. OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND. THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, having been leased by the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is now open and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES. The Rates for BOARD and LODGING during the Winter Months, from November 1st to March 31st, have been reduced as follows:—One person, one month, \$5.00. Married couple (occupying one room) per month, \$8.00. One person per day, 2/6. Married couple per day, 3/6. For full particulars apply to VICTORIA HOTEL. Hongkong, 25th October, 1892. [225]

BAY VIEW HOTEL. MR. OSBORNE begs to remind the Public that every possible arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of Visitors to this popular Summer Resort. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shan-ku-wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the garden.

The Cuisine is unrivalled in Hongkong, and only the best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Cigars, etc., are kept in stock. Private Dinners or Tiffin prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours. Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [480]

THE BOA VISTA HOTEL. BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO. THIS HOTEL is situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commands an admirable view facing the South. Its accommodation is unsurpassed in the Far East.

Every comfort is provided for Visitors, with an excellent Cuisine, and Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors of the best brands. Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard and Reading Rooms, and a well supplied Bar. A small Dairy is attached to the premises. Mrs. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS, Proprietress. [20]

THE SHAMEEN HOTEL. BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON. THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes walk of the River Steamer Wharves, is now open to receive Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Rooms, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East. The Table D'Hotel is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in expert hands. Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best quality only. A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD ROOM. A. F. DO ROZARIO, Manager. Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [227]

HAUENSTEIN'S HOTEL, A MOY. THIS First-class FAMILY HOTEL is situated on the beach at KULANGSOO and has First-class Accommodation for Visitors. An EXCELLENT TABLE is kept, and WINES, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS of the very best quality. Terms Moderate. R. HELLWIG, Proprietor. Amoy, 1st September, 1892. [238]

DENTISTRY. FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP AND MODERATE FEES. M. R. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon Dentist, (Formerly assisted Apprentice, and latterly Assistant to Dr. ROBERTS), HAS REMOVED TO THE BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD, (Opposite Hongkong Hotel), CONSULTATION FREE. Hongkong, 27th 1st 1893. [14]

# Intimations.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD. RAIN COATS & UMBRELLAS. BUCKSKIN LEGGINGS. FORPOISE-HIDE WATERPROOF BOOTS, RACE GLASSES WITH SLING CASES. CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD. 18, Praya Central, Hongkong. [52]

W. BREWER. HAVE JUST RECEIVED NEW ASSORTMENT OF GENTS MORRO CO LEATHER BOOTS AND SHOES. GENTS BROWN LEATHER BOOTS AND SHOES. GENTS PATENT LEATHER SHOES. GENTS DANCING PUMPS. GENTS TENNIS SHOES. WHITAKER'S ALMANACKS. MARINE ENGINEERS ANNUAL AND ALMANACK. ENGINEERS GAZETTE ANNUAL. CALVERT ALMANAC. NAUTICAL ALMANACK, &c. NEW PATENT COPYING PRESSES. NEW PATENT PLAQUES for WALL DECORATION. W. BREWER, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. [40]

THE MIKE COAL MINING COMPANY. THE MIKE COAL is a BITUMINOUS COAL of dark reddish colour. For steam purposes it has been pronounced to be the best and the most economical of all the Japanese Coals. Its export is increasing yearly, and the opinions expressed by several of the largest regular consumers are in testimony of the excellent qualities of this coal.

Attention is called to the following advantages to Shippers Owners and Captains, who call their bunkers direct from the Underigned:—FRESHNESS of the coal. UNIFORMITY of quality. FREEDOM from impurities. Supply in any quantity on shortest notice. Quick despatch. BEST of weight, etc., etc. MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Sole Agents. Hongkong, 5th September, 1892. [780]

TAKLEMA COLLIERIES COMPANY, MOJI. THIS Company having appointed the Underigned AGENTS for their Coal, (TAKLEMA AKAIKI) in Hongkong, they are prepared to supply Coal on Ship, on Godown, or trimmed in Bunkers, at prices to be had on application. Copies of Reports and Analysis to be seen in the Office of the Underigned. CHEE ON & Co., Sole Agents. Nos. 21 & 23, Lee Yuen Street, East. Hongkong, 25th September, 1892. [793]

KING WO CHEONG. COAL MERCHANTS, SHIP'S COMPANIES, STEVEDORES, &c. Have for Sale a cargo of pure AKAIKI COAL, ex GODOWN and ex SHIP. For full particulars as to price, &c., Apply to KING WO CHEONG, No. 31, Praya Central. Hongkong, 3rd February, 1893. [187]

J. D. KILEY, MANUFACTURER OF BALLOONS, PARACHUTES, TENTS, &c. No. 3, JUBILEE STREET, Hongkong. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [65]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE. COMFORTABLY FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED ROOMS, with Board and Table Accommodation. Apply to Mrs. MATHER, 2, Pedder's Hill. Hongkong, 28th February, 1893. [36]

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE, STAINFIELD'S—1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. VACANCIES for GENTLEMEN or MARRIED COUPLES at Moderate Terms. Mrs. STAINFIELD, Proprietress. Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [49]

LEVY HERMANOS. JEWELLERY, DIAMONDS, WATCH, CHRONOMETER & CLOCKMAKERS. Sole Agents for FINE PHILIPPE & Co. Geneva. A great variety in Fancy Goods and Optical Instruments. 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Opposite the Telegraph Office. [73]

G. FALCONER & CO. WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS AND JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS. No. 48, Queen's Road Central. [63]

OHS. J. GAUPP & CO. CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCKMAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVERSMITHS, and OPTICIANS. CHARTS AND BOOKS. Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches, awarded the highest Prizes at every Exhibition, and for Votlander and Sohn's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE GLASSES and SPYGLASSES. No. 1, Queen's Road Central. [65]

S. I. N. T. N. G. SURGEON DENTIST. No. 10, D'ARVILLE STREET. TERMS VERY MODERATE. Consultation free. Hongkong, 27th September, 1892. [260]

Blackhead & Co., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, and PROVISION MERCHANTS. NAVY CONTRACTORS, & GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS, No. 7, Praya Central, HONGKONG.

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CARDIFF, AUSTRALIAN and JAPAN COALS, supplied at the shortest notice to Steamers at lowest market rates. Hongkong, 1st October, 1892. [100]

NOTICE. J. KYLE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED. J. KYLE'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT. THE Underigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to shipbuilders, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Quantities. Mr. ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board, London, says "It is the best Disinfectant in use." W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings. Hongkong, 20th June, 1892. [170]

SCOTT'S EMULSION. Of Pure Cod Liver Oil and HYPOPHOSPHITES of Lime and Soda. Is ordered and prescribed by leading physicians, because both the Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites are the recognized agents in the cure of consumption. It is as valuable as milk, and three times as efficacious as plain oil.

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